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Dear Colleague:

On behalf of the Scientific Organizing Committee we would like to provide more detailed information on the international conference:

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\* **SUPERNOVA 1987A: 20 YEARS AFTER** \*  
\* **Supernovae and Gamma-Ray Bursters** \*  
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to be held in:

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\* **Aspen, Colorado, from 19 - 23 February 2007** \*  
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Registration Status:

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The conference is OVERSUBSCRIBED and almost booked out.  
If you wish to participate, please go to the conference web site and register:

<http://universe.gsfc.nasa.gov/conferences/supernova1987a/>

Priority will be given in the order your registration is received.  
All registered participants are listed on the "Participants" link.  
If you have registered and your name is not included on the list of participants,  
please send an email to [supernova1987a@milkyway.gsfc.nasa.gov](mailto:supernova1987a@milkyway.gsfc.nasa.gov) and let us know.

Registration Fee:

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All registered participants will receive a form with payment instructions within the next week. This form has to be filled out and faxed to the fax number provided.

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\* **The registration fee (US \$300.-) is DUE BEFORE NOVEMBER 15, 2006** \*  
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Participants responding after November 15 will be put on a waiting list.

Hotel Rooms:

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Please note that accommodation is limited. We have reserved a block of 60 rooms at The Inn at Aspen, which is located at the base of Buttermilk Ski Area between the Aspen Center for Physics and the airport. Free shuttles are provided from The Inn to the airport, town, and the Center for Physics.

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**You must make your own reservation**

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The phone number of The Inn is 1-800-952-1515 or 970-544-3304, and their fax number is 970-925-9037. Please mention this conference and make your reservation as soon as possible, since there is a limited number of rooms reserved. They will require a credit card to hold your room and will charge one-half of the total cost to your card at the time you make your reservation. The cost is \$239 per night and per room, plus taxes. Gratuities are included.

Sharing of Hotel Rooms:

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If you are sharing a room and would like to request a particular colleague for a roommate, please do so at the time you make your reservation. If you go the conference website and click on "Participants" you will see who will attend. Feel free to contact your colleagues and team up to share a room. There is no extra charge for two people occupying a room, and a \$20 charge for more than 2 people. You may cancel up to 31 days before the conference with a 10% of the total booking penalty. After that, you will be charged for the total cost of your room, unless our block of rooms is overbooked.

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**Be sure to book your travel and lodging reservations early**

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Traveling to Aspen:

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Have your travel agent make reservations far in advance, since winter weekend travel is very popular. Flying from Denver to Aspen takes about 35 minutes and is served by United Express, 1-800-241-6522. There are direct flights to Aspen from Minneapolis & Memphis (Northwest 1-800-225-2525), Los Angeles & San Francisco

(United), Salt Lake City (Delta), and Phoenix (America West). There are also direct flights to Eagle from Chicago, Miami, New York, Newark and Dallas (American Airlines) and Atlanta and Cincinnati (Delta). With the current state of airlines, all of these options may change. Ground transportation is available from both Denver (4 hours) and Eagle (1.5 hours) through Colorado Mountain

Express: 1-800-525-6363, Fax 970-949-5032. Reservations are required.  
To get the discounted rate, \$112 Denver/Aspen one way and \$63 Eagle/Aspen,  
mention that you are with the "Aspen Physics Group".

#### Recreation:

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The elevation of the town is nearly 8,000 feet, so consider the effects of the altitude during your first few days, drink lots of water and don't overdo exercise. Aspen offers a wide variety of Winter sports, including downhill and cross-country skiing, ice-skating, and walking. Equipment can be rented for all activities, and instruction is also available. We have obtained ski lift tickets at a rate of \$49 per day. You may purchase them at the Aspen Center for Physics during your stay. If you plan to rent skis, we will direct you to the shops that will give you a discount if you mention the conference.

#### PROCEEDINGS:

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Talks (review, invited and contributed) and poster contributions accepted by the scientific organizing committee will be published in printed proceedings. We are currently negotiating with publishers the details of the proceedings. Each participant will receive one free copy of the printed proceedings.

#### Financial Support:

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We have submitted an NSF proposal to provide partial financial support for participants who requested support. The NSF decision is still pending and we expect a reply sometime during December. If your attendance is contingent on partial support, please send us an email.

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If you did not respond to previous circulars and wish to be added to the conference mailing list, please send an email to [supernova1987a@milkyway.gsfc.nasa.gov](mailto:supernova1987a@milkyway.gsfc.nasa.gov).

We hope to see you in Aspen!

Regards,

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on behalf of the Scientific Organizing Committee

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